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Applicant: William E. Duncan et al.

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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING EXPANDABLE PROXY  
FIREWALL SERVICES

**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed June 24, 2004, said period of response being extended from September 24, 2004 to December 24, 2004.

Please charge Deposit Account 19-0743 in the amount of \$510.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted,

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